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In re Application of:  
**Laurence Hamid and Robert D. Hillhouse** Confirmation No.: **7157**  
Application No.: **09/625,547** Group Art Unit: **2132**  
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In response to the Final Rejection dated **December 1, 2005**, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

- ☐ Amendments to the Specification begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper.
- ☒ Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ Amendments to the Drawings begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- ☒ Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.